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Canadian Citizen Pleads Guilty and is Sentenced for Immigration Violation

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Dean Patrick Gibson**, age 38, of Nova Scotia, Canada, pleaded guilty and was sentenced on November 2, 2007, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, for attempted illegal re-entry into the U.S. after deportation/removal. Gibson was sentenced to 100 days imprisonment and 1 year supervised release.

Court records reveal that on July 25, 2007, U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Calais, Maine Port-of-Entry took Gibson into custody when he attempted entry into the United States on a commercial bus. In 2005, Gibson had been deported and barred from reentering the United States without the express approval of the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security, after he was apprehended in Rhode Island.

Gibson had been refused entry into the U.S. twice before, on July 1 and 8, 2007, and on July 1 had been given a waiver form from the Department of Homeland Security to apply for reentry. He had not submitted that waiver form by the time he attempted re-entry on July 25.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.